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SUBJECT: DECEMBER 2 SYRIANMEDIA REPORT FONMIN KHADDAM'S DENIAL
THAT SYRO-JORDANIAN-PALESTINIAN-LEBANESE CONFEDERATION PLANNED

1. MEDIA REPEATED INTERVIEW GIVEN BY FONMIN KHADDAM,
PRIOR TO ATTEMPT UPON HIS LIFE, WITH KUWAITI RAI AL-AM.
KHADDAM ENDORSED PRINCIPLE OF UNION AMONG ARAB STATES BUT
DENIED THAT SYRIA PLANNING CONFEDERATION WITH JORDAN, PALESTINE
AND LEBANON. HE REITERATED THAT SYRIANS AND LEBANESE CON-
CENTRATING INSTEAD ON CONSOLIDATING MOVEMENT TOWARD PEACE.

2. PRESS BANNERED: "DELEGATIONS OF BAATH PARTY COMMAND
MEET WITH OUT COMBATANTS PARTICIPATING IN DETERRENT FORCE
IN LEBANON AND ALONG CONFRONTATION LINES WITH ENEMY AND AT
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THEIR AIR BASES AND MILITARY FORMATIONS." ARTICLE

NOTED THAT DELEGATION, COMPOSED OF DEPPRIMIN SHAYYA, RC MEMBERS HADID AND AL-HASAN, COS SHIHABI AND COL. IZZ AD-DIN IDRIS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SYRIAN ARMY POLITICAL DEPT, WAS RECEIVED AT LEBANESE BORDER BY COMMANDER OF SYRIAN ADF AND NUMBER OF OFFICERS. DELEGATION ALSO VISITED LEBANESE ARMY VANGUARDS AT RIYAQ FOR DISCUSSIONS ON CURRENT EVENTS IN LEBANON BEFORE RETURNING TO DAMASCUS EVENING DEC. 1.

3. PRESS REPORTED BEIRUT RADIO BROADCAST THE ADF CONTINUES PREPARATIONS TO IMPLEMENT NEXT STAGE OF SECURITY PLAN.
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